

## 2025 Reunion Social

-Jill Steele Pape Alumni Board Secretary/Treasurer

The 2025 Alumni Reunion Social was held Saturday, June 21st at the Veterans Pavilion on the Mayville Museum grounds. Approximately 90 people attended and enjoyed an overabundance of delicious food as well as great conversations.

Thirty-two Alumni from the Class of 1975 were there in full force after having their own class reunion the night before. Adorned with their own special name tags, it was obvious that their class was all about fun and friendship. The 1975 graduates each received a Golden Diploma in honor of their 50th year after high school. Amanda (Peet) Astley represented her Class of 2000 and received her "Wildcat Pin".

Special diplomas were awarded to Mildred (Woern) Fox for her 78th year, and she noted that she has only missed three Alumni gatherings since her graduation. Her husband Richard (Dick) Fox received his 80th year Diploma - yes, he graduated in 1945!

The 1975 Class President, John Jordan welcomed the newest members of the MHS Alumni, the Class of 2025. John suggested that the newest alumni take all that they've learned and go out and make their chosen community a better place! Bradey Wren, a 2025 Class representative accepted that welcome and shared how their class had so much fun together. They were all friends and got along with each other so well. He highlighted their Senior Sunrise breakfast on the first day of school.



Amanda Peet Astley—Class of 2000

Bradey shared about the fun they had going golfing and having a picnic together on their Senior Skip Day and their silliness with the traditional Senior prank where they made their presence known by decorating the school with balloons and confetti.



Bradley Wren—Class of 2025

John Jordan then spoke about his friend and classmate, Marty Crane, the 1975 winner of the Duncan Memorial. He then presented the Alumni Scholarship and the Duncan Memorial Award certificate to this year's recipient, Joel Enos. Joel was 2025 class Salutatorian, treasurer for NHS and Student Council, a band member, and was very active in sports: Cross Country, Basketball, Baseball, and Track. He received numerous accolades for his skills, leadership, and character. He has accepted an apprenticeship with Kalitta Air

in Oscoda to learn the aircraft mechanics' trade. We are so impressed with your accomplishments, Joel and wish you immense success in your future!

At their separate reunion, the Class of 1975 reminisced about their high school days and decided to step up Big Time and give back to their

alma mater. A collection was taken and \$1,736 was presented to our Alumni Association. They designated the amount to three separate funds: \$500 for Cash for Class, \$636 for our School Supply Closet fund, and \$600 for a new category to support the annual 8th grade trip to Michigan's Capitol. Presented by John Jordan, he challenged other classes from Mayville to step up



John Jordan- '75 and Joel Enos-2025

and support that trip as well. As class reunions are held, he encourages each to find a way to give back to their hometown school. We greatly THANK YOU, class of 1975!

Tim Wingert, Class of 1980, shared the history of the Mayville High School Athletic Hall of Fame and an-



Tim Wingert—Class of 1980

nounced for the first time the teams and individuals who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame on October 11, 2025. A Meet and Greet begins at 6:00 pm followed by the ceremony at 7:00 pm in the High School Auditorium. All are invited to attend! For more information about their committee and past inductees, please look for the link on Mayville's school website - <a href="https://www.mayvilleschools.org">https://www.mayvilleschools.org</a>

Jill (Steele) Pape from the Class of 1983 recognized the 42 current Mayville School employees who are Mayville graduates. They include 4 School Board members, 9 Teachers, 2 Secretaries, 2 from Transportation, 14 Coaches, 9 Para pros, 2 from Maintenance, 2 Custodians, 2 Food Service workers, our Health Resource Advocate and Special Education Director. Mayville strives to support their own graduates, and this year it was noted that approximately half of all employees are Mayville Alumni. *Once a Wildcat, Always a Wildcat is a frequently heard expression!* 

See all of the 2025 Alumni Reunion Social photos on the home page of the website!!

Jill then explained our Mission statement and a unanimous vote was taken to amend our By-Laws to update our Alumni Association's structure to become a Board of Directors instead of having specific officers. Jill Pape will remain as Secretary-Treasurer, and all committee members will work together to make decisions. Any alumni are encouraged to reach out and join our team.

Shelly (Wallace) Henrikson, Class of 1981, thanked everyone for attending, and the afternoon culminated with standing and joining in the singing our school song, "On To Mayville."

A wonderful time was experienced, and next year's gathering will be held on Saturday, June 13th in the same location.



Shelly Wallace Henrikson—Class of 1981



Special thanks to the ladies of the Alumni Board for making the 2025
Alumni Reunion Social a great success and to all the Alumni and friends that participated!



Back Row: Shelly Wallace Henrikson—
'81, Krystal Bodeis LaBair –'77, Jill Steele

Pape -'83, Front Row: Judy Ollila—'79, Sherri Secord Elenbaum—'82. Inset:

Betty Steele Harris—'61.

Jill Steele Pape—Class of 1983



2025 Duncan Memorial Award and 2025 Alumni Scholarship Recipient Joel Enos

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